

# Report to the Board / July 2005

## *Library Resources Program*

(numbers after each heading refer to the appropriate section of the strategic plan)

### **Materials Support (1.1.3)**

A pilot project to integrate the Utah County Bookmobile into our Horizon Library Catalog continues in this quarter. If it is successful, USL will eventually integrate all bookmobiles into this catalog. One great benefit this will provide is an online catalog and ordering system for bookmobile users. **Ruth Anne Hansen** and **K.C. Benedict** have led this project.

### **Division Website (3.2.2)**

The Division website redesign and migration out of TeamFusion has been accomplished. The new site features easier-to-use navigation, an improved public library directory, and the first draft of our Public Library Information Exchange, which, if successful, will provide detailed comparative information about Utah's Public Libraries online, and will replace the print copies of our annual statistical report. **Mike Brown** and **Pam Barringer** provide web support. The Department's IT staff has helped create the PLIE.

### **Government Information & Search Engine (1.2.2, 1.2.4)**

**Ray Matthews** has prepared a proposed revision to the Utah Code regarding the preservation and access to state publications. This revision reflects the increased amount of digital information and its inherent potential to evaporate, and is in keeping with our present role in distributing state publication to depository libraries around the state.

In addition, USL has begun a pilot project utilizing a component of the Dynix / Horizon cataloging system to create an archive of state publications accessible both through library catalogs and through full text search. **Ray Matthews** has led this project.

While we are still on a committee to oversee the development of the new state search engine, we are no longer providing content development. This project, done in partnership with the state Department of Technology Services, was very time consuming and seemed to be heading into a long black cave. We will continue to provide reference support for the state search engine.

### **Consulting (1.3.4)**

The entire professional staff is now committed to providing consulting services to public libraries across the state. Each librarian is responsible for consulting with at least 4 libraries. This program is unique at USL in that it crosses all program lines and represents a truly Division-wide effort.

### **Pioneer (1.3.2 et al)**

Public Pioneer has added HeritageQuest, a source of genealogical information. Larger libraries already subscribed, and we were able to provide access for smaller libraries.

NewsBank has added recent archives of the Ogden Standard Examiner, making this a source for archives of 5 Utah Newspapers.

**Jeri Openshaw** is working with the GoPioneer outreach team with representatives from the Utah Education Network and Academic Libraries to prepare a marketing campaign celebrating Pioneer's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday.

### **Continuing Education (1.3.1) / Bookmobiles (Rural Library Service) (2.4.3)**

Utah State Library is hosting the 11th Annual State Library Continuing Education Forum in Salt Lake on August 16 and 17. Continuing Education Coordinators from all 50 states are invited to this meeting. We expect that 35 to 40 will attend.

Bookmobile #8 will be completed August 1. This bookmobile goes to Utah County.

The annual Bookmobile Workshop, Building Bookmobile Service, was held in Salt Lake Jun3 16 and 17. Twenty of the 24 bookmobile employees working around the state attended the training. A highlight of this year's training was a workshop Presented by Larry Maynard from Glendale

Public Library in Glendale, Colorado designed to help Bookmobile staff understand their Spanish speaking patrons, to help staff make bookmobiles more welcome to Spanish speakers, and to teach bookmobile staff outreach techniques that can be learned and applied with any library patron including the Spanish Speaking.

**Some End-Of-Year Statistics:**

***Items provided to smaller public libraries from our collection and from ILL: 20,900\****

***Reference Questions: 1904***

***Public Pioneer Results Retrieved: 643,454***

***CatExpress Records Downloaded by Libraries using the program: 33,063***

***Biggest ILL users: Kaysville, Grand County, Uintah County, Price, San Juan: Blanding***